

MINUTES

South Carolina Athletic Commission

Monday, March 11, 2013 9:00 a.m Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building,
Conference Room 204

110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Meeting Called to Order:

Alan Wells, Chair, called the meeting of the South Carolina Athletic Commission to order at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Wells announced that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S.C. Athletic Commission Office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

Commission members present in this meeting included:

William Boyte – 2nd Congressional District
Anthony “Tony” Eubanks – 3rd Congressional District
Alan Wells, Chair – 4th Congressional District
Clyde Jones – 5th Congressional District
Pamela Shealy – At-Large Member
James Phillips – At-Large Physician

Ed Lawson – 1st Congressional District – attended via conference telephone.

Staff members participating during the meeting included Glenn Frick, Larry Hall, Rod Atkinson, Wanda Cooke, Charles Ido, and Sheridan Spoon.

Pledge of Allegiance

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation:

Commissioner Eubanks provided the Invocation.

Approval/Disapproval of Commission Member Absences

Steven Dean – 6th Congressional District

MOTION:

Mr. Boyte made a motion to approve the absence of Dr. Dean. Mr. Eubanks seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Approval of Agenda:

Ms. Shealy made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Eubanks seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Chairman's Remarks:

New Business

Governor's Regulatory Review Task Force

Mr. Wells explained to the members Governor Haley's Executive Order regarding the review and evaluation of all statutes, regulations, policies and procedures impacting businesses in South Carolina. The evaluation of the statutes, regulations, policies and procedures should include necessity, complexity, efficiency, effectiveness and redundancy.

Prior to this Order, a task force was formed for the purpose of reviewing and updating the current rules, regulations and statutes, and to update same. Proposed changes were submitted and approved by the Commission at its February 26, 2013, public meeting.

A brief summary of these changes were presented.

- Eliminated requirement for annual physicals for MMA contestants, with the exception of blood tests and eye examinations. Over-aged contestants are still required to obtain a complete annual physical.
- Eliminated the proposed requirement to add a fourth (4th) ringside judge.
- Eliminated requirement for annual physical for female boxing contestants, and eliminated the need for abdominal and breast examinations for female contestants
- Eliminated the use of ISKA and ISCF as the sanctioning body, and approved the South Carolina Athletics Commission as the sanctioning body, resulting in a tremendous savings for the promoters.

It was noted that the task force will continue the review process of Chapter 81 of the Regulations.

Advice Counsel, Sheridan Spoon, commended the members of the Task Force for their time and efforts which has allowed them to be ahead of the game in regards to the Governor's Order. Mr. Spoon advised staff to compile a list of common complaints received from the public. The Commission should encourage public comments. The deadline to have a response prepared concerning this Order is April 15, 2013.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

Date of next scheduled board meeting will be Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION:

Mr. Boyte made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Jones seconded the motion which carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.